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<b>For:</b> METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING PRINCIPAL PROTECTION EXPOSURE TO EQUITY MARKETS	<b>:</b> <b>:</b>	

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**AMENDMENT IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request For Continued Examination in connection with the above-identified patent application. Of note, a Final Office Action was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 8, 2008. The July 8, 2008 Final Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by October 8, 2008. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Accordingly, a reply to the July 8, 2008 Final Office Action is due by December 8, 2008 and the Request For Continued Examination mentioned above (as well as this Amendment) are being timely filed.